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RAYA KISELNIKOVA

Defector Tells Of Spying in Latin America

MEXICO CITY (UPI) — A Russian Embassy employe who defected last month said Soviet spying in this capital is aimed at "total domination" of Latin America.

A dual role is played by Soviet Embassy staff members in Mexico, Raya Kiselnikova told a news conference.

She cited the example of four consular workers who she said spend eight hours a week issuing visas and the rest of their time on "clandestine operations."

The few Russians in Mexico City truly interested in strengthening trade and diplomatic relations "are subverted for a more sinister purpose, the total domination of this hemisphere," she said.

The Soviets are keenly interested in information on Mexico's political situation, student movements and military matters, she said.

Miss Kiselnikova, 30, said she quit her job in the embassy commercial section because she feared reassignment to Russia and a possible "purge." She asked for asylum in Mexico.

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